

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the following paragraph on page 1 as follows:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS/INCORPORATION BY
REFERENCE**

[01] This application makes reference to, claims priority to, and claims the benefit of:

United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/411,261 entitled “Communications Systems Software and Protocols” filed on September 17, 2002; United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/411,301 entitled “Method and System For Providing A Scalable Integrated Switch and Wireless Architecture” filed on September 17, 2002; United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/433,094 entitled “Method and System for Providing Bandwidth Allocation and Sharing in a Hybrid Wired/Wireless Network” filed on December 13, 2002; and

United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/435,984 entitled “Communication System and Method in a Wireless Local Area Network” filed on December 20, 2002.

[02] The above stated applications are filed concurrently herewith, and are all incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.